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Disagrees With Book Review

To The Editor, Sir:

Only a man for whom ignorance is no barrier to the holding and expression of unqualified opinion would say of William Manchester's book that he in it "uncovered more about the assassination than the Warren Report" and did this "single handedly".

If the Pulitzer Prize is ever awarded for inaccuracy, Mr. Richard Lebherz's idol Manchester will have no competition. It is a work of conspicuous inaccuracy, wrong in the most exquisitely fine detail. A man of normal intelligence writing a work of fiction could readily produce a work closer to reality.

If this is the season for "Book Suggestions For Christmas", may I recommend "Common Sense", for dilettantes, the crooked - finger set and Richard Lebherz?

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P.S. Harper & Row, not Macmillan, is publisher of the Manchester exercise in the extension of high - school journalism. However, those of your readers who may be deceived by Mr. Lebherz's inaccuracy and waste their money on this trash will be in safe hands with Ernie Berger, who knows who published what.